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## House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. McHUGH).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
June 6, 2006.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JOHN M. McHUGH to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:  
Lord God, You alone are holy and almighty.

As the noble creatures of Your own making, all of us try to avoid any form of humiliation. Probably because of our deep sense of unconscious mortality, the sheer force of a powerful enemy or unbridled nature can diminish us with fear. The brash awakening of public embarrassment or the subtle put-down by a peer can humble anyone in a moment's notice.

From personal experience, we also know how You, O Lord, can breathe on our conscience or artfully collapse the falsehoods which uphold us. Then overwhelmed by the truth of ourselves, we stand humbly before You.

This afternoon, we as intelligent and responsible persons come before You and prayerfully bow our heads in humble submission to Your powerful presence. To seek Your blessing or to ask for Your pardon of our sins is simply to humble ourselves sincerely before You.

Guide us individually, as a government and as a nation, both now and forever. Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. GINGREY) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. GINGREY led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, May 26, 2006.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
*The Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on May 26, 2006, at 4:00 p.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3829.

That the Senate passed without amendment H. Con. Res. 418.

That the Senate passed S. 3322.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS,  
*Clerk of the House.*

### IN RECOGNITION OF EUSEBIO PENALVER MAZORRA

(Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, today I rise in memory of Eusebio Penalver Mazorra, who was one of the longest serving political prisoners and a man who President George W. Bush called a Cuban patriot. I would like to recognize his widow, Francis Martinez, who is with us today.

In Miami, Penalver led a group called "Plantados until Freedom and Democracy Comes to Cuba," whose five founding members each spent more than 20 years in Castro's prisons. Eusebio himself spent 28 years in jail.

Penalver was a Cuban political prisoner who fought long and hard against Castro's tyranny. Born in Ciego de Avila, in Camaguey, Cuba, Penalver was a Plantado, a prisoner who firmly plants his feet in his cell and does not cooperate with his captors, and he struggled for freedom and democracy throughout his life.

He came to the United States as an exile in 1988, and he dedicated his life to fighting Castro's tyranny. He was loved and admired by our Cuban-American community for his dedication and courage in the fight for Cuba's liberty, and his presence will be sorely missed.

### CONCERNS ABOUT LEVEL OF FUNDING OF AIDS DRUG ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

(Mrs. CHRISTENSEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. CHRISTENSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to express my grave concerns about the level of funding for ADAP, the AIDS Drug Assistance Program, which is inadequate to support the more than 136,000 Americans currently

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